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04. Subject-Verb Agreement, Tenses & Conditionals

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OFFICIAL SOLVED EDITION**Q1.**

BUMHS 2025

The students decided to meet the teacher and request him for a favour. The main verb in this sentence is:

- (A) meet
- (B) request
- (C) meet request
- (D) decided

Q2.

KMU 2025

Each of the boys _ ambitious to lead the team.

- (A) have
- (B) has
- (C) is
- (D) are

Q3.

SZABMU 2025

Pick out the sentence which illustrates the use of an infinitive.

- (A) He refused to obey the orders.
- (B) He refused obeying the orders.
- (C) He refused obey the orders.
- (D) He refused obeyed the orders.

Q4.

UHS 2025

Which of the following sentences has correct subject verb agreement?

- (A) The teacher give the students homework.
- (B) The teacher gives the students homework.
- (C) The teachers gives the student homework.
- (D) The teachers given the student homework.

Q5.

NUMS 2025

I suggest that you ____ visit a doctor.

- (A) Must
- (B) Should
- (C) Ought to
- (D) Have to

Q6.

NUMS 2025

Choose the correctly structured sentence.

- (A) Had he been there, he would see us
- (B) Had he been there, he would had seen us
- (C) Had he been there, he would have seen us
- (D) Had he been there, he would have see us

Q7.

KMU 2024

After she ____ the stairs, her heart almost gave out from exhaustion.

- (A) Has climbed
- (B) Have climbed
- (C) Had climbed
- (D) Was climbing

Q8.

KMU 2024

Choose the correct sentence according to the rules of subject-verb agreement and auxiliaries:

- (A) She didn't knew about the surprise party.
- (B) She hasn't knew about the surprise party.
- (C) She didn't know about the surprise party.
- (D) She doesn't knew about the surprise party.

Q9.

KMU 2024

Choose the sentence with the correct tense and sentence structure:

- (A) He is going to the market yesterday.
- (B) I had been waiting for the bus, and it arrives.
- (C) She will finish her homework before she went to bed.
- (D) They were playing football when it started to rain.

Q10.

KMU 2024

Choose the grammatically correct sentence:

- (A) My father was talking to his friend on mobile phone when I fall from the bicycle.
- (B) My father is talking to his friend on mobile phone when I fall from the bicycle.
- (C) My father was talking to his friend on mobile phone when I fell from the bicycle.
- (D) My father was talking to his friend on mobile phone when I am falling from the bicycle.

Q11.

NUMS 2024

The plane ought to be taking off in a minute. The underlined verb 'ought to' is a/an:

- (A) Linking verb
- (B) Modal auxiliary
- (C) Helping verb
- (D) Finite verb

Q12.

NUMS 2024

During the heavy rain, the sky grew dark. The underlined verb 'grew' is a/an:

- (A) Non-finite
- (B) Transitive
- (C) Di-transitive
- (D) Linking verb

Q13.

NUMS 2024

His courage brought him honour. The underlined verb 'brought' is:

- (A) Transitive
- (B) Di-transitive
- (C) Complex Transitive
- (D) Linking

Q14.

NUMS 2024

The teacher assigned the students an assignment to be completed during vacation. The underlined verb 'assigned' is:

- (A) Mono-transitive
- (B) Di-transitive
- (C) Complex transitive
- (D) Intransitive

Q15.

NUMS 2024

Fill in the blank with the appropriate verb indicating Past Perfect Continuous Tense: He ____ walking home from work regularly since he joined his office.

- (A) Had been
- (B) Had been walking
- (C) Had walked
- (D) Walked

Q16.

NUMS 2024

"All desire wealth and some acquire it." The sentence exemplifies:

- (A) Present indefinite
- (B) Past Indefinite
- (C) Present Continuous
- (D) Simple Future

Q17.

NUMS 2024

"If I were a doctor, I would serve humanity." The sentence is an example of:

- (A) Zero Conditional
- (B) Type II Conditional
- (C) Type III Conditional
- (D) Type I Conditional

Q18.

NUMS 2024

Choose the sentence which is correctly structured:

- (A) If we had found him earlier, we have saved his life
- (B) If we had found him earlier, we could save his life
- (C) If we had found him earlier, we could have saved his life.
- (D) If we had found him earlier, we could save his life.

Q19.

BUMHS 2024

We are about ____ at the place where we can set up our tents.

- (A) To arrive
- (B) Arriving
- (C) Be arriving
- (D) To have arriving

Q20.

BUMHS 2024

It is common knowledge to anyone who studies science, that the earth ____ on its own axis once every 24 hours.

- (A) Revolves
- (B) Revolve
- (C) Has revolved
- (D) Has had revolved

Q21.

BUMHS 2024

When I *him*, *Rauf* cricket.

- (A) Was, playing
- (B) Saw, is playing
- (C) Saw, was playing
- (D) Saw, played

Q22.

BUMHS 2024

Many modern architects insist on ____ materials native to the region that will blend into the surrounding landscape.

- (A) Use
- (B) To use
- (C) The use
- (D) Using

Q23.

BUMHS 2024

Unless a student ____ with the university regulations, he can be removed from the university.

- (A) Complies
- (B) Complied
- (C) Had complied
- (D) Will comply

Q24.

BUMHS 2024

If ____ the match, I will go to Lahore to meet the sports board chairman.

- (A) I win
- (B) I will win
- (C) I shall win
- (D) I wins

Q25.

NUMS 2024

Unless we ____ now, we cannot be on time.

- (A) Start
- (B) Will Start
- (C) Do not start
- (D) Will Starting

Q26.

FMDC 2024

I suppose ____ when we start.

- (A) It will be raining
- (B) It has been raining
- (C) It rains
- (D) Rain

Q27.

FMDC 2024

She jumped off the bus while it ____.

- (A) Moved
- (B) Had moved
- (C) Was Moving
- (D) Has been moving

Q28.

FMDC 2024

He was sitting here. The given sentence is in which tense?

- (A) Past Progressive / Continuous
- (B) Past indefinite
- (C) Past Continuous
- (D) Past Perfect Continuous

Q29.

NUMS 2024

I ____ English for five years.

- (A) am Studying
- (B) Study
- (C) have been studying
- (D) Studies

Q30.

FMDC 2024

Choose the correct conditional sentence:

- (A) Had she gone there, she would control the situation.
- (B) Had she gone there, she would have controlled the situation.
- (C) Had she went there, she would control the situation.
- (D) Had she gone there, she would controlled the situation.

Q31.

SZABMU 2024

Supply the correct form of verb: *We had taken our meal before we _*

- (A) Had left
- (B) Have left
- (C) Left
- (D) Were leaving

Q32.

SZABMU 2024

Supply the correct form of verb: *Had I known the answer I ____ it.*

- (A) Got written
- (B) Have written
- (C) Would have written
- (D) Wrote

Q33.

SZABMU 2024

Supply the correct form of verb: *Farah has planned _ before the next term.*

- (A) Resign
- (B) Resignation
- (C) Resigning
- (D) To resign

Q34.

DUHS 2024

Complete the main clause of the following sentence: *If I went to Paris, ____*

- (A) I can see the Eiffel Tower
- (B) I would see the Eiffel Tower
- (C) I should see the Eiffel Tower
- (D) I could see the Eiffel Tower

Q35.

DUHS 2024

Choose the correct form of the tense: *I would gladly have helped him if he ____ me into confidence.*

- (A) Took
- (B) Has taken
- (C) Had taken
- (D) Have taken

Q36.

DUHS 2024

Identify the tense of the given sentence: *The sick child has been sleeping for three hours.*

- (A) Present Perfect Continuous Tense
- (B) Present Perfect Tense
- (C) Past Perfect Tense
- (D) Present Continuous Tense

Q37.

UHS 2024

Choose the correct option according to subject-verb agreement / tense rule:

- (A) In 1838 schleiden suggested that all plants were made of cells
- (B) In 1838 schleiden suggest that all plants were made of cells
- (C) In 1838 schleiden suggested that all plants were make of cells.
- (D) In 1838 schleiden suggested to all plants were made of cells

Q38.

UHS 2024

I ____ him for a long time.

- (A) Have never known
- (B) Had never knew
- (C) Had never been known
- (D) Would never knew

Q39.

UHS 2024

Pick the correct option:

- (A) The supervisor has nor will ever compromise.
- (B) The supervisor have nor will ever compromise.
- (C) The supervisor has not compromised nor will ever compromise.
- (D) The supervisor has nor will ever compromised.

Q40.

SZABMU 2023

Choose the correct subjunctive sentence:

- (A) I wish I have been a millionaire
- (B) I wish I am being a millionaire
- (C) I wish I were a millionaire
- (D) I wish I was a millionaire

Q41.

SZABMU 2023

None of us _ beyond a mile.

- (A) Gone
- (B) Have gone
- (C) Has gone
- (D) Were go

Q42.

BUMHS 2023

Choose the correct sentence:

- (A) He don't like coffee.
- (B) He doesn't like coffee.
- (C) He not like coffee.
- (D) He doesn't likes coffee.

Q43.

KMU 2023

The director as well as the manager of the hotel _____ attending the meeting.

- (A) Is
- (B) are
- (C) were
- (D) has

Q44.

KMU 2023

If I were younger, I _____ around the world.

- (A) Will travel around the world
- (B) Would have travelled
- (C) Would travel
- (D) Travel

Q45.

KMU 2023

Identify the simple past tense sentence:

- (A) We have been reading in the classroom since morning
- (B) He had broke this window.
- (C) They spoke in Urdu to the waitress.
- (D) She is enjoying the weather on the roof.

Q46.

FMDC 2023

The town _ its appearance completely since 1980.

- (A) Is changing
- (B) Changes
- (C) Has changed
- (D) Changed

Q47.

FMDC 2023

By next March, we _____ here for four years.

- (A) Would had been
- (B) Would have lived
- (C) Shall have been living
- (D) Shall live

Q48.

FMDC 2023

Fill in the blank: *The students, accompanied by the teacher _____ entering the museum.*

- (A) Is
- (B) Has
- (C) Are
- (D) Have

Q49.

FMDC 2023

Fill in the blank with appropriate option: *I _____ before 10 p.m.*

- (A) Shall have slept
- (B) Shall have slept
- (C) Will have sleep
- (D) Shall have been slept

Q50.

KMU 2023

You _____ quit smoking or it will damage your lungs.

- (A) must
- (B) have to
- (C) Might
- (D) Should

Q51.

KMU 2023

The dogs _____ escaped.

- (A) Did
- (B) Has
- (C) Had
- (D) Will

Q52.

KMU 2023

_____ you like a cup of coffee?

- (A) May
- (B) Shall
- (C) Can
- (D) Would

Q53.

KMU 2023

The police _____ arrested the suspect.

- (A) Has
- (B) Have
- (C) Be
- (D) Been

Q54.

BUMHS 2023

Choose the correct sentence:

- (A) Work all day, my father doesn't have much time to spare.
- (B) Working all day, my father don't have much time to spend.
- (C) Working all day, my father doesn't have much time to spend.
- (D) Working all day, my father doesn't have much time to spent.

Q55.

BUMHS 2023

Neither she nor _____ am guilty. Complete the sentence with the correct pronoun.

- (A) Us
- (B) We
- (C) They
- (D) I/me

Q56.

BUMHS 2023

The boys on the opposite side made me _____ the bird.

- (A) To kill
- (B) Kills
- (C) Kill
- (D) Killed

Q57.

BUMHS 2023

You will have to catch the morning flight, so you _____ better get ready.

- (A) would
- (B) may
- (C) should
- (D) had

Q58.

BUMHS 2023

Which of the following sentences is grammatically correct?

- (A) Forty years seems a long time.
- (B) Forty years seem long time.
- (C) Forty years seems long time.
- (D) Forty years seem a long time.

Q59.

BUMHS 2023

I _____ from college by this time next year and will be looking for a job.

- (A) Will graduate
- (B) Graduated
- (C) Will be graduating
- (D) Will have graduated

Q60.

DUHS 2022

Figure out the error:

"Scientist now hope that cloning (B) can successfully be conducted in (A) human beings in the near future (C)." (D) No error

- (A) can successfully be conducted in.
- (B) Scientist now hope that cloning.
- (C) in the near future.
- (D) No error.

Q61.

DUHS 2022

Charles *his father in the shop until school* .

- (A) is helping, starts
- (B) had help, started
- (C) helped, was starting
- (D) has helped, is starting

Q62.

DUHS 2022

Fill in with a suitable verb: *The teacher _ completed this chapter.*

- (A) Have
- (B) Is
- (C) Are
- (D) Has

Q63.

DUHS 2022

One must consider any matter before ___ it.

- (A) Decided
- (B) Decides
- (C) Decide
- (D) Deciding

Q64.

UHS 2022

To give one some idea of rabies' horrors, one _____ only read such descriptions...

- (A) Needs
- (B) Need
- (C) Needed
- (D) Has needed

Q65.

UHS 2022

By 2030, people _____ been reading the works of Charles Dickens for more than 190 years.

- (A) Had
- (B) Will
- (C) Have
- (D) Will have

Q66.

UHS 2022

Choose the correct sentence:

- (A) Penny did not let me to get my book.
- (B) Penny was not leaving me to get my book.
- (C) Penny did not let me get my book.
- (D) Penny had not left me get my book.

Q67.

UHS 2022

The newly elected president and CEO for the newly established branch _____ arrived recently.

- (A) have
- (B) having
- (C) have been
- (D) has

Q68.

NUMS 2022

A full description of car accidents _____ reported.

- (A) are
- (B) have been
- (C) was
- (D) were

Q69.

NUMS 2022

Ahmed _____ me for a long time.

- (A) has known
- (B) have known
- (C) knows
- (D) knew

Q70.

NUMS 2022

The head master _____ to speak to you.

- (A) Wants
- (B) is wanting
- (C) was wanting
- (D) want

Q71.

NUMS 2022

Knowledge and wisdom ___ no time for connection.

- (A) has
- (B) have
- (C) had
- (D) are

Q72.

NUMS 2022

Each of the boys _____ to ride.

- (A) loves
- (B) love
- (C) are loving
- (D) have loved

Q73.

NUMS 2022

Choose the correctly structured sentence:

- (A) Mr. Shan. with his family together goes to England.
- (B) Mr. Shan, together with his family, goes to England.
- (C) Mr. Shan. together with his family, go to England.
- (D) Mr. Shan, with his family, go to England together

Q74.

BUMHS 2022

Choose the correct form of verbs to be filled in the blank: I _ with my parents.

- (A) Lives
- (B) Am living
- (C) Is living
- (D) Shall living

Q75.

BUMHS 2022

When I opened my eyes, I _____ a strange sight.

- (A) Am seeing
- (B) Have seen
- (C) Was seen
- (D) Saw

Q76.

BUMHS 2022

The neighbours _ so loudly last night that they __ all awake until after midnight.

- (A) are shouting/are keeping
- (B) were shouting/kept
- (C) shouted/have been keeping
- (D) have shouted/had kept

Q77.

BUMHS 2022

Bread and butter is what the poor _ today.

- (A) Need
- (B) Needs
- (C) Needed
- (D) Needing

Q78.

NUMS 2021

The soup ____ good.

- (A) Taste
- (B) Tastes
- (C) Is tasting
- (D) Will tasting

Q79.

NUMS 2021

She ____ unconscious since 4 o'clock.

- (A) Is
- (B) Was
- (C) Has been
- (D) Would

Q80.

NUMS 2021

I wish I ____ the answer.

- (A) Will know
- (B) Knew
- (C) Have known
- (D) Know

Q81.

NUMS 2021

Neither the students nor the teacher ____ present today.

- (A) are
- (B) were
- (C) was
- (D) have been

Q82.

KMU 2021

Identify the sentence with correct subject-verb agreement:

- (A) The team plays well together.
- (B) The team play well together.
- (C) The team playing well together.
- (D) The team is play well together.

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Question #1 Key: (D)

BUMHS 2025

The students decided to meet the teacher and request him for a favour. The main verb in this sentence is:

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Main Predicate Verbs.

Solution: "Decided" is the inflected finite main verb of the sentence.

Why other options are incorrect:

- Options A & B: Non-finite infinitive complements.

Question #2 Key: (C)

KMU 2025

Each of the boys _ ambitious to lead the team.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Singular Indefinite Subjects.

Solution: 'Each' requires singular linking verb 'is'.

Why other options are incorrect:

- Options A & D: Plural forms.
- Option B: Cannot link directly to adjective without 'been'.

Question #3 Key: (A)

SZABMU 2025

Pick out the sentence which illustrates the use of an infinitive.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Infinitive Structures.

Solution: "to obey" is an infinitive structure.

Why other options are incorrect:

- Options B, C, & D: Gerund or ungrammatical verb forms.

Question #4 Key: (B)

UHS 2025

Which of the following sentences has correct subject verb agreement?

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Subject-Verb Agreement.

Solution: Singular subject 'teacher' takes singular verb 'gives'.

Why other options are incorrect:

- Options A, C, & D: Agreement or tense errors.

Question #5 Key: (B)

NUMS 2025

I suggest that you ____ visit a doctor.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Modals for Recommendations.

Solution: Following verbs of advice or recommendation like 'suggest', the modal auxiliary "should" is standard for recommending actions.

Why other options are incorrect:

- Option A & D: Express strict obligation/compulsion rather than advice.
- Option C: 'Ought to' is redundant and less conventional after 'suggest'.

Question #6 Key: (C)

NUMS 2025

Choose the correctly structured sentence.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Inverted Third Conditionals.

Formula:

Had + Subject + V3, Subject + would have + V3

Solution: The inverted past perfect condition "Had he been there" pairs exclusively with "would have + past participle" (would have seen).

Why other options are incorrect:

- Option A: Uses simple conditional verb in main clause.
- Option B: Uses ungrammatical auxiliary 'would had'.
- Option D: Uses base verb 'see' after 'would have'.

Question #7 Key: (C)

KMU 2024

After she ____ the stairs, her heart almost gave out from exhaustion.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Past Perfect Tense Sequence.

Solution: The action of climbing was completed prior to the past heart reaction ("heart almost gave out"), requiring the Past Perfect tense (had climbed).

Why other options are incorrect:

- Options A & B: Present perfect tenses break past tense sequence.
- Option D: Past continuous implies simultaneous rather than prior completion.

Question #8 Key: (C)

KMU 2024

Choose the correct sentence according to the rules of subject-verb agreement and auxiliaries:

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Auxiliary Verb + Bare Infinitive.

Formula:

did / didn't + Base Verb (V1)

Solution: The negative past auxiliary "didn't" must always be followed by the base form of the main verb (**know**).

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options A & D:** Pair 'didn't' / 'doesn't' with simple past verb 'knew'.
- **Option B:** Pairs 'hasn't' with simple past 'knew' instead of past participle 'known'.

Question #9 Key: (D)

KMU 2024

Choose the sentence with the correct tense and sentence structure:

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Sequence of Tenses.

Solution: Option D correctly pairs Past Continuous (were playing) with Simple Past (started) to depict interrupted action.

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option A:** Combines present continuous with past time adverb 'yesterday'.
- **Option B:** Mixes past perfect continuous with present tense 'arrives'.
- **Option C:** Mixes future tense 'will finish' with past tense 'went'.

Question #10 Key: (C)

KMU 2024

Choose the grammatically correct sentence:

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Past Continuous Interrupted by Simple Past.

Solution: The interrupting event must be expressed in the Simple Past tense (**fell**) while matching the ongoing Past Continuous (**was talking**).

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option A:** Uses present tense 'fall' with past continuous 'was talking'.
- **Option B:** Present tense inconsistency.
- **Option D:** Uses present continuous 'am falling' with past continuous 'was talking'.

Question #11 Key: (B)

NUMS 2024

The plane ought to be taking off in a minute. The underlined verb 'ought to' is a/an:

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Classification of Auxiliaries.

Solution: "Ought to" is a semi-modal / **modal auxiliary** verb used to express probability, obligation, or expectation.

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option A:** Linking verbs connect subjects to complements.
- **Option C:** Broad category; 'modal auxiliary' is the precise classification.
- **Option D:** Non-modal main verb form.

Question #12 Key: (D)

NUMS 2024

During the heavy rain, the sky grew dark. The underlined verb 'grew' is a/an:

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Copular / Linking Verbs.

Solution: The verb "grew" links the subject (the sky) to the predicate adjective complement (dark), making it a **linking verb**.

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option B:** Transitive verbs take direct objects.
- **Option C:** Di-transitive verbs take both direct and indirect objects.
- **Option A:** It is a finite, past-tense verb.

Question #13 Key: (B)

NUMS 2024

His courage brought him honour. The underlined verb 'brought' is:

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Di-transitive Verbs.

Solution: The verb 'brought' takes two objects: an indirect object (**him**) and a direct object (**honour**), defining it as **di-transitive**.

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option A:** Broad term; specifically it is di-transitive.
- **Option C:** Requires a direct object and an object complement.
- **Option D:** Does not connect subject to adjective/noun predicate.

Question #14 **Key: (B)**

NUMS 2024

The teacher assigned the students an assignment to be completed during vacation. The underlined verb 'assigned'...

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Verb Valency.

Solution: 'Assigned' takes two objects: indirect object (the students) and direct object (an assignment), making it **di-transitive**.

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option A:** Mono-transitive verbs take only one direct object.
- **Option D:** Intransitive verbs take no objects.

Question #15 **Key: (A)**

NUMS 2024

Fill in the blank with the appropriate verb indicating Past Perfect Continuous Tense: He ____ walking home fro...

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Past Perfect Continuous Structure.

Formula:

had been + Verb-ing

Solution: Since 'walking' is already present in the stem, the auxiliary portion required is "**Had been**".

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option B:** Duplicates the verb 'walking'.
- **Options C & D:** Simple or perfect past verb forms.

Question #16 **Key: (A)**

NUMS 2024

"All desire wealth and some acquire it." The sentence exemplifies:

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Simple Present Tense.

Solution: The base verbs "desire" and "acquire" express general states in the **Present Indefinite** tense.

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options B, C, & D:** Lack past endings, -ing participles, or future auxiliaries.

Question #17 **Key: (B)**

NUMS 2024

"If I were a doctor, I would serve humanity." The sentence is an example of:

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Second (Type II) Conditionals.

Formula:

If + Past Subjunctive (were), would + Base Verb

Solution: Hypothesizes an unreal present situation using were and would serve, matching **Type II Conditional**.

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option A:** Uses simple present in both clauses.
- **Option C:** Uses past perfect (had been) and would have.
- **Option D:** Uses simple present and will.

Question #18 **Key: (C)**

NUMS 2024

Choose the sentence which is correctly structured:

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Type III Conditional Modals.

Solution: If + past perfect (had found) must be paired with **modal + have + past participle** (could have saved).

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options A, B, & D:** Use present or simple conditional verb forms in the main clause.

Question #19 **Key: (A)**

BUMHS 2024

We are about ____ at the place where we can set up our tents.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Infinitive Structures after 'About'.

Solution: The idiom "**about to**" requires the base form of the verb (infinitive without tense inflection) to express an action in the immediate future.

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option B:** Gerund form is incorrect following 'about to'.
- **Options C & D:** Distort infinitive tense structures.

Question #20 **Key: (A)**

BUMHS 2024

It is common knowledge to anyone who studies science, that the earth ____ on its own axis once every 24 hours.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Simple Present Tense for Universal Facts.

Solution: Permanent astronomical facts and general scientific truths are always expressed in the Simple Present Tense (**revolves** for singular subject 'the earth').

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option B:** Plural verb form; fails subject-verb agreement with singular 'earth'.
- **Options C & D:** Perfect tenses incorrectly frame a continuous universal fact as a completed past event.

Question #23 **Key: (A)**

BUMHS 2024

Unless a student ____ with the university regulations, he can be removed from the university.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Real First Conditional Clauses.

Solution: Conditional clauses introduced by "**unless**" take the simple present tense (**complies**) when predicting main clause future outcomes ("can be removed").

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options B & C:** Past tenses break real conditional present-future sequence.
- **Option D:** Modal 'will' is forbidden inside conditional clauses.

Question #21 **Key: (C)**

BUMHS 2024

When I him, Rauf cricket.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Interrupted Past Actions.

Solution: A longer continuous past action uses Past Continuous (**was playing**), while the short interrupting past action uses Simple Past (**saw**).

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option A:** Incomplete structure.
- **Option B:** Mixes past tense 'saw' with present continuous 'is playing'.
- **Option D:** Fails to represent the ongoing nature of the cricket game when seen.

Question #24 **Key: (A)**

BUMHS 2024

If ____ the match, I will go to Lahore to meet the sports board chairman.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Type 1 Conditional Structure.

Formula:

If + Simple Present (I win), Will + Base Verb

Solution: The 'if' clause requires Simple Present tense (**I win**).

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options B & C:** Future auxiliaries are ungrammatical in 'if' clauses.
- **Option D:** 'wins' violates subject verb agreement with 'I'.

Question #22 **Key: (D)**

BUMHS 2024

Many modern architects insist on ____ materials native to the region that will blend into the surrounding land...

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Preposition + Gerund Objects.

Solution: Prepositions (*insist on*) must be followed by a gerund verb form (**using**).

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options A & B:** Base verbs and infinitives cannot act directly as objects of prepositions.
- **Option C:** Lacks necessary verbal complements to take a direct object ('materials').

Question #25 **Key: (A)**

NUMS 2024

Unless we ____ now, we cannot be on time.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Conditional Subordinate Clauses.

Solution: 'Unless' means 'if not' and takes the simple present affirmative verb "**start**".

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option B:** Modal 'will' cannot appear in the conditional clause.
- **Option C:** Creates a double negative error (*unless... do not*).
- **Option D:** Ungrammatical structure.

Question #26 **Key: (A)**

FMDC 2024

*I suppose _____ when we start.***CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION**

Future Continuous Predictions.

Solution: "It will be raining" correctly predicts an ongoing action occurring at a specific future time ("when we start").**Why other options are incorrect:**

- **Option B:** Refers to continuous past-to-present action.
- **Option C:** Simple present does not convey future continuous expectation.
- **Option D:** Missing subject and verb.

Question #27 **Key: (C)**

FMDC 2024

*She jumped off the bus while it _____.***CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION**

Concurrent Past Actions.

Solution: "Was moving" (Past Continuous) indicates the background ongoing action during which the sudden event occurred.**Why other options are incorrect:**

- **Option A:** Simple past fails to emphasize ongoing background movement.
- **Options B & D:** Perfect tenses misplace the sequence of time.

Question #28 **Key: (C)**

FMDC 2024

*He was sitting here. The given sentence is in which tense?***CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION**

Identification of Tenses.

Formula:

Subject + was/were + Verb-ing

Solution: The structure "was sitting" is the standard form of the **Past Continuous** tense.**Why other options are incorrect:**

- **Option B:** Requires simple past verb 'sat'.
- **Option D:** Requires 'had been sitting'.

Question #29 **Key: (C)**

NUMS 2024

*I _____ English for five years.***CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION**

Present Perfect Continuous Tense.

Solution: Time expressions with "for + duration" indicating an action continuing up to the present require **"have been studying"**.**Why other options are incorrect:**

- **Options A, B, & D:** Simple or continuous present tenses cannot express multi-year ongoing durations.

Question #30 **Key: (B)**

FMDC 2024

*Choose the correct conditional sentence:***CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION**

Third Conditional Inversion.

Solution: **Had + subject + V3** in the conditional clause must pair with **would have + V3** in the result clause.**Why other options are incorrect:**

- **Options A & C:** Use simple conditional present verbs.
- **Option D:** Uses ungrammatical 'would controlled'.

Question #31 **Key: (C)**

SZABMU 2024

*Supply the correct form of verb: We had taken our meal before we _***CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION**

Sequence of Past Tenses with 'Before'.

Solution: In past temporal clauses joined by 'before', the earlier completed event uses Past Perfect (**had taken**) and the later past action uses Simple Past (**left**).**Why other options are incorrect:**

- **Option A:** Redundant Past Perfect.
- **Options B & D:** Incorrect tense sequence.

Question #32 **Key: (C)**

SZABMU 2024

*Supply the correct form of verb: Had I known the answer I _____ it.***CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION**

Third Conditional Inversion Structure.

Solution: **Had + subject + V3** matches exclusively with **would have + past participle**.**Why other options are incorrect:**

- **Options A, B, & D:** Violate standard third conditional main clause structures.

Question #33 Key: (D)

SZABMU 2024

Supply the correct form of verb: Farah has planned _ before the next term.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Verbs Followed by Infinitives.

Solution: The verb 'plan' takes an infinitive complement (**to resign**).

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options A, B, & C:** Base verbs, nouns, or gerunds cannot complement 'planned' in this structure.

Question #34 Key: (B)

DUHS 2024

Complete the main clause of the following sentence: If I went to Paris, ____

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Second Conditional Clause Structure.

Formula:

If + Simple Past (went), would + Base Verb (see)

Solution: A hypothetically imaginary past condition (went) matches with "**I would see**" in the result clause (Option B).

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options A, C, & D:** Modal auxiliaries that do not form standard second conditionals.

Question #35 Key: (C)

DUHS 2024

Choose the correct form of the tense: I would gladly have helped him if he ____ me into confidence.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Third Conditional Structure.

Solution: Main clause "would have helped" requires Past Perfect (**had taken**) in the conditional 'if' clause.

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option A:** Simple past form used for second conditionals.
- **Options B & D:** Present perfect forms break conditional sequence.

Question #36 Key: (A)

DUHS 2024

Identify the tense of the given sentence: The sick child has been sleeping for three hours.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Tense Identification.

Formula:

has/have been + Verb-ing

Solution: "has been sleeping" represents the **Present Perfect Continuous Tense**.

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options B, C, & D:** Do not match the auxiliary string 'has been -ing'.

Question #37 Key: (A)

UHS 2024

Choose the correct option according to subject-verb agreement / tense rule:

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Past Historical Statements.

Solution: Past year marker 'In 1838' takes simple past verb '**suggested**' followed by past complement '**were made**'.

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option B:** Uses present tense 'suggest'.
- **Option C:** Uses ungrammatical base verb 'were make'.
- **Option D:** Inserts ungrammatical preposition 'suggested to all'.

Question #38 Key: (A)

UHS 2024

I ____ him for a long time.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Present Perfect for Continuing States.

Solution: Stative verb 'know' with duration phrase "for a long time" requires Present Perfect tense (**Have never known**).

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options B & D:** Double tense errors ('had knew', 'would knew').
- **Option C:** Passive transformation error.

Question #39 Key: (C)

UHS 2024

Pick the correct option:

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Elliptical Parallel Auxiliary Structures.

Solution: Both auxiliary verbs must be followed by grammatically complete principal verb forms: *has not compromised* nor *will ever compromise*.

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options A, B, & D:** Omit necessary past participle 'compromised' after auxiliary 'has'.

Question #40 Key: (C)

SZABMU 2023

Choose the correct subjunctive sentence:

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Past Subjunctive Mood for Wishes.

Formula:

I wish + Subject + **were**

Solution: Hypothetical present wishes take subjunctive "**were**" across all personal pronouns.

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options A & B:** Present indicative tenses.
- **Option D:** Informal indicative 'was' is disfavored in standard test English.

Question #41 Key: (C)

SZABMU 2023

None of us _ beyond a mile.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Singular Pronoun 'None'.

Solution: In formal MDCAT grammar keys, indefinite pronoun 'None' takes singular verb "**Has gone**".

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option A:** Participle lacking auxiliary verb.
- **Option B:** Plural auxiliary verb.
- **Option D:** Ungrammatical 'were go'.

Question #42 Key: (B)

BUMHS 2023

Choose the correct sentence:

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Third Person Singular Present Negation.

Solution: Singular pronoun 'He' takes negative auxiliary **doesn't** followed by bare infinitive **like**.

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option A:** Uses plural auxiliary 'don't'.
- **Option C:** Omits auxiliary verb 'does'.
- **Option D:** Double inflection error ('doesn't likes').

Question #43 Key: (A)

KMU 2023

The director as well as the manager of the hotel ____ attending the meeting.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Subject-Verb Agreement with 'As well as'.

Solution: Expressions like 'as well as' do not make subjects plural. The verb agrees strictly with the singular primary subject "**The director**" → **Is**.

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options B & C:** Plural verbs.
- **Option D:** Auxiliary 'has' requires past participle 'attended' rather than 'attending'.

Question #44 Key: (C)

KMU 2023

If I were younger, I ____ around the world.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Type II Subjunctive Conditionals.

Formula:

If + were, would + Base Verb

Solution: Unreal present conditional 'were' requires "**would travel**" in the result clause.

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option A:** Future modal 'will'.
- **Option B:** Third conditional form 'would have travelled'.
- **Option D:** Simple present.

Question #45 Key: (C)

KMU 2023

Identify the simple past tense sentence:

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Tense Identification.

Solution: "They spoke..." uses simple past verb 'spoke' without auxiliary verbs.

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option A:** Present Perfect Continuous.
- **Option B:** Ungrammatical Past Perfect ('had broke').
- **Option D:** Present Continuous.

Question #46 Key: (C)

FMDC 2023

The town _ its appearance completely since 1980.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Present Perfect with Time Markers ('Since').

Solution: Time markers starting with "since + past year" require Present Perfect tense (**has changed**) to connect past start point to present state.

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options A & B:** Present continuous or simple present tenses cannot express an action spanning past to present.
- **Option D:** Simple past ignores connection to the present.

Question #47 Key: (C)

FMDC 2023

By next March, we ____ here for four years.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Future Perfect Continuous Tense.

Formula:

By + Future Time → shall/will have been + Verb-ing

Solution: Projecting continuous residence duration up to a specified future point (*By next March*) requires Future Perfect Continuous (**Shall have been living**).

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option A:** Ungrammatical 'would had been'.
- **Options B & D:** Do not emphasize continuous ongoing duration.

Question #48 Key: (C)

FMDC 2023

Fill in the blank: The students, accompanied by the teacher ____ entering the museum.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Subject-Verb Agreement with Intervening Parenthetical Phrases.

Solution: Parenthetical expressions introduced by 'accompanied by' do not change the number of the real subject. The true subject is plural "**The students**", requiring plural verb "**Are**".

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option A:** Singular verb mistakenly agreeing with parenthetical singular noun 'teacher'.
- **Options B & D:** Auxiliary 'has/have' cannot take dynamic continuous participle 'entering' without 'been'.

Question #49 Key: (B)

FMDC 2023

Fill in the blank with appropriate option: I ____ before 10 p.m.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Future Perfect Irregular Participles.

Solution: Future Perfect tense uses **shall/will have + past participle**. The irregular past participle of 'sleep' is **slept**.

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option A:** Misspells irregular past participle as 'slepped'.
- **Option C:** Uses base verb 'sleep' after 'have'.
- **Option D:** Passive transformation error.

Question #50 Key: (A)

KMU 2023

You ____ quit smoking or it will damage your lungs.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Modal Verbs of Strong Necessity.

Solution: "**Must**" conveys vital subjective necessity or urgent health obligation.

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option C:** Expresses weak possibility.
- **Option D:** Expresses mild advice rather than urgent warning.

Question #51 Key: (C)

KMU 2023

*The dogs ____ escaped.***CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION**

Plural Subject Past Perfect.

Solution: Plural subject 'dogs' takes auxiliary "Had" with past participle 'escaped'.**Why other options are incorrect:**

- **Option A:** 'Did' takes base verb 'escape'.
- **Option B:** Singular auxiliary.
- **Option D:** 'Will' takes base verb 'escape'.

Question #52 Key: (D)

KMU 2023

*____ you like a cup of coffee?***CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION**

Polite Modal Offers.

Solution: "Would you like..." is the standard polite expression for offers.**Why other options are incorrect:**

- **Options A, B, & C:** Non-standard or improper polite offer structures.

Question #53 Key: (B)

KMU 2023

*The police ____ arrested the suspect.***CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION**

Collective Plural Subjects.

Solution: The noun "police" is inherently plural and takes plural verb "Have".**Why other options are incorrect:**

- **Option A:** Singular auxiliary.
- **Options C & D:** Base or participle forms cannot serve as primary tense auxiliaries alone.

Question #54 Key: (C)

BUMHS 2023

*Choose the correct sentence:***CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION**

Participial Modifiers and Subject-Verb Agreement.

Solution: Participial modifier "Working all day" modifies subject 'my father', singular verb **doesn't** agrees with subject, and infinitive takes base verb **spend**.**Why other options are incorrect:**

- **Option A:** Uses imperative verb 'Work' creating dangling modifier.
- **Option B:** Plural verb 'don't' violates agreement.
- **Option D:** Uses past participle 'spent' after 'to'.

Question #55 Key: (D)

BUMHS 2023

*Neither she nor ____ am guilty. Complete the sentence with the correct pronoun.***CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION**

Proximity Rule in Correlative Subjects.

Solution: With 'neither... nor', the verb agrees with the subject closest to it. Since the verb is 'am', the first-person subject pronoun 'I' (or 'me' in options key) is required.**Why other options are incorrect:**

- **Options A, B, & C:** Plural pronouns cannot agree with first-person singular verb 'am'.

Question #56 Key: (C)

BUMHS 2023

*The boys on the opposite side made me ____ the bird.***CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION**

Causative Verbs.

Formula:

Make + Object + Bare Infinitive (Base Verb)

Solution: The active causative verb 'make' takes a bare infinitive without 'to' (**kill**).**Why other options are incorrect:**

- **Option A:** Full infinitive 'to kill' is ungrammatical after active 'make'.
- **Options B & D:** Conjugated verb forms.

Question #57 Key: (D)

BUMHS 2023

You will have to catch the morning flight, so you ____ better get ready.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Modal Expression 'Had Better'.

Solution: The fixed modal expression "**had better**" is used to give strong advice or recommendations.

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options A, B, & C:** Do not form standard idiomatic structures with 'better' (e.g. 'would better' is incorrect).

Question #58 Key: (A)

BUMHS 2023

Which of the following sentences is grammatically correct?

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Measure Units as Singular Subjects.

Solution: Periods of time, sums of money, or distances treated as a single unified entity take singular verbs (**seems**) and indefinite singular noun complements (**a long time**).

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options B & D:** Use plural verb 'seem'.
- **Option C:** Omits article 'a' before singular noun 'long time'.

Question #59 Key: (D)

BUMHS 2023

I ____ from college by this time next year and will be looking for a job.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Future Perfect Tense.

Solution: An action that will be completed prior to a specific future time marker ("by this time next year") requires Future Perfect tense (**will have graduated**).

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options A & C:** Simple future or future continuous tenses do not emphasize completion before a future deadline.
- **Option B:** Past tense.

Question #60 Key: (B)

DUHS 2022

Figure out the error: "Scientist now hope that cloning (B) can successfully be conducted in (A) human beings ..."

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Subject-Verb Agreement.

Solution: Plural present verb 'hope' requires plural noun "**Scientists**" instead of singular 'Scientist'. The error is in Option B.

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options A & C:** Correct grammatical components.
- **Option D:** An error exists in Option B, so 'No error' is incorrect.

Question #61 Key: (A)

DUHS 2022

Charles his father in the shop until school.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Temporary Present Actions with Time Clauses.

Solution: Temporary continuous ongoing state (**is helping**) paired with habitual simple present condition (**starts**).

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options B, C, D, & E:** Disrupted or ungrammatical tense combinations.

Question #62 Key: (D)

DUHS 2022

Fill in with a suitable verb: The teacher _ completed this chapter.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Singular Subject Present Perfect.

Solution: Singular third-person subject 'The teacher' takes singular auxiliary "**Has**".

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options A & C:** Plural verbs.
- **Option B:** Continuous auxiliary cannot take past participle 'completed' directly in active voice.

Question #63 Key: (D)

DUHS 2022

One must consider any matter before ___ it.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Preposition + Gerund Object.

Solution: Preposition 'before' must take gerund verb form "**Deciding**" (Option D).

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options A, B, & C:** Finite inflected verb forms cannot act directly as objects of prepositions.

Question #64 Key: (B)

UHS 2022

To give one some idea of rabies' horrors, one ____ only read such descriptions...

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Semi-Modal Verb 'Need'.

Solution: When used as a semi-modal auxiliary followed directly by bare infinitive (read), "**need**" does not take 's' even with singular pronoun 'one' (one need only read).

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option A:** Main verb form requiring full infinitive 'to read'.
- **Options C & D:** Past tenses.

Question #65 Key: (D)

UHS 2022

By 2030, people ____ been reading the works of Charles Dickens for more than 190 years.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Future Perfect Continuous Tense.

Formula:

By + Future Year (2030) → **Will have been** + Verb – ing

Solution: Time marker "By 2030" specifies future completion of duration, requiring "**Will have**".

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options A & C:** Past or present perfect auxiliaries.
- **Option B:** Lacks 'have' needed for perfect continuous 'been reading'.

Question #66 Key: (C)

UHS 2022

Choose the correct sentence:

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Causative Verb 'Let'.

Formula:

Let + Object + **Bare Infinitive**

Solution: The causative verb 'let' requires a bare infinitive (get, not 'to get').

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option A:** Uses full infinitive 'to get'.
- **Options B & D:** Inappropriate verb selection ('leaving'/'left') disrupting meaning.

Question #67 Key: (D)

UHS 2022

The newly elected president and CEO for the newly established branch ____ arrived recently.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Single Entity Compound Nouns.

Solution: "The newly elected president and CEO" refers to a **single individual** holding both titles, requiring singular verb "**has**".

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options A & C:** Plural auxiliaries used when referring to two distinct individuals.
- **Option B:** Non-finite participle.

Question #68 Key: (C)

NUMS 2022

A full description of car accidents ____ reported.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Subject-Verb Agreement with Prepositional Phrases.

Solution: True subject is singular noun phrase "**A full description**", requiring singular verb "**was**".

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options A, B, & D:** Plural verbs mistakenly agreeing with plural prepositional object 'accidents'.

Question #69 Key: (A)

NUMS 2022

Ahmed ____ me for a long time.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Present Perfect for Duration.

Solution: Singular subject 'Ahmed' with duration phrase "for a long time" takes "**has known**".

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option B:** Plural auxiliary 'have'.
- **Options C & D:** Simple present or simple past tenses cannot express multi-year ongoing duration.

Question #70 **Key: (A)**

NUMS 2022

The head master ____ to speak to you.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Stative Verbs.

Solution: Stative verb 'want' takes Simple Present singular "Wants".

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options B & C:** Continuous verb forms forbidden for stative desire verbs.
- **Option D:** Plural verb form.

Question #71 **Key: (B)**

NUMS 2022

Knowledge and wisdom ____ no time for connection.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Compound Subject Agreement.

Solution: Compound subject 'Knowledge and wisdom' takes plural verb "have".

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option A:** Singular verb.
- **Option C:** Past tense.
- **Option D:** Linking verb.

Question #72 **Key: (A)**

NUMS 2022

Each of the boys ____ to ride.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Singular Indefinite Pronoun Agreement.

Solution: Indefinite pronoun 'Each' takes singular verb "loves".

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options B, C, & D:** Plural or continuous verb forms.

Question #73 **Key: (B)**

NUMS 2022

Choose the correctly structured sentence:

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Parenthetical Phrases and Agreement.

Solution: Parenthetical phrase 'together with his family' is set off by commas and does not change singular subject agreement with 'Mr. Shan' → **goes**.

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options A & C:** Erroneous periods inserted in place of commas.
- **Option D:** Plural verb 'go' mistakenly agrees with parenthetical phrase.

Question #74 **Key: (B)**

BUMHS 2022

Choose the correct form of verbs to be filled in the blank: I _ with my parents.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

First-Person Agreement.

Solution: Pronoun 'I' takes continuous auxiliary "Am living".

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option A:** Third-person singular form ('lives').
- **Option C:** Third-person singular auxiliary ('is').
- **Option D:** Modal 'shall' takes base verb, not -ing participle directly.

Question #75 **Key: (D)**

BUMHS 2022

When I opened my eyes, I ____ a strange sight.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Past Tense Sequence.

Solution: Simple past 'opened' requires simple past "Saw" for immediate sequential perception.

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options A & B:** Present tense forms break past sequence.
- **Option C:** Passive voice.

Question #76 Key: (B)

BUMHS 2022

The neighbours _ so loudly last night that they _ all awake until after midnight.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Past Continuous Interrupted by Simple Past Result.

Solution: Time marker 'last night' requires past continuous (**were shouting**) paired with simple past outcome (**kept**).

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option A:** Present continuous forms.
- **Options C & D:** Mismatched tenses.

Question #79 Key: (C)

NUMS 2021

She ____ unconscious since 4 o'clock.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Present Perfect for Duration.

Solution: Uses "Has been" with time expression 'since 4 o'clock'.

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options A & B:** Simple tenses cannot take time expressions with 'since'.
- **Option D:** Modal auxiliary.

Question #77 Key: (A)

BUMHS 2022

Bread and butter is what the poor _ today.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Nominal Adjectives as Plural Subjects.

Solution: Expressions like "the poor" represent a plural group of people, requiring plural present verb "Need".

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option B:** Singular verb 'needs'.
- **Option C:** Past tense conflicts with present time marker 'today'.
- **Option D:** Participle lacking finite auxiliary verb.

Question #80 Key: (B)

NUMS 2021

I wish I ____ the answer.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Subjunctive Wishes.

Solution: Unreal present wish takes Simple Past "Knew".

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options A, C, & D:** Present or future indicative forms.

Question #81 Key: (C)

NUMS 2021

Neither the students nor the teacher ____ present today.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Proximity Rule with 'Neither... nor'.

Solution: Verb agrees with nearer subject singular 'teacher' → **was**.

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options A, B, & D:** Plural verb forms mistakenly agreeing with distant plural 'students'.

Question #78 Key: (B)

NUMS 2021

The soup ____ good.

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Stative Verbs.

Solution: Singular subject 'soup' takes Simple Present "Tastes".

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Options A, C, & D:** Plural or progressive verb mismatches.

Question #82 Key: (A)

KMU 2021

Identify the sentence with correct subject-verb agreement:

CORE CONCEPT AND DERIVATION

Collective Noun Agreement.

Solution: Collective noun 'team' acting as a single unit takes third-person singular present verb "plays".

Why other options are incorrect:

- **Option B:** Plural verb 'play'.
- **Options C & D:** Participle fragments or ungrammatical auxiliary combinations.